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Standard Guide for Training of a Land Search and Rescue (SAR) Strike Team/ Task Force Leader¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This guide establishes the minimum training for Land SAR Strike Team/Task Force Leaders as it relates to their general, field, and search and rescue specific knowledge, skills, and abilities.

1.2 A Land SAR Strike Team Leader/Task Force Leader is responsible for direct supervision, general leadership, wellness, and safety of multiple SAR teams and resources operating on all land and water environments, including intertidal areas, but not oceans or swiftwater.

1.3 Type I-IV teams which may utilize personnel trained to this guide are Kind A (wilderness), Kind B (urban), and Kind C (mountainous/alpine), Kind D (disaster/collapse), Kind E (inland water), Kind G (cave), Kind H (mine), Kind I (avalanche), Kind J (evidence/cadaver), Kind K (aircraft), and/or Kind L (unclassified). See Classification F1993.

1.4 A Land SAR Strike Team Leader/Task Force Leader may work in remote areas including urban or disaster areas that may be isolated or have lost their infrastructure.

1.5 Further training may be required depending on the regulations or policies of the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).

1.6 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.7 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

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2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

F1773 Terminology Relating to Climbing, Mountaineering, Search and Rescue Equipment and Practices

F1993 Classification System of Human Land Search and Rescue Resources

F2209 Guide for Training of Land Search Team Member

F2685 Guide for Training of a Land Search Team Leader (STL)

F2751 Guide for Training of a Land Search and Rescue Team Member

F2890 Guide for Hazard Awareness for Search and Rescue Personnel

2.2 NFPA Standards:³

NFPA 1006 Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications

NFPA 1670 Standard on Operations and Training for Technical Search and Rescue Incidents

3. Terminology

3.1 Acronyms:

3.1.1 ASTM—American Society for Testing and Materials

3.1.2 AHJ—Authority Having Jurisdiction

3.1.3 AM—Aviation Management

3.1.4 DOI—Department of the Interior

3.1.5 ERI—Emergency Response International

3.1.6 FEMA—Federal Emergency Management Agency

3.1.7 ICS—Incident Command System

3.1.8 NASAR—National Association for Search and Rescue

3.1.9 NFPA—National Fire Protection Association

3.1.10 NPS—National Park Service

3.1.11 NWCG—National Wildfire Coordinating Group

3.1.12 PTB—Position Task Book

² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

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